

External Job Posting

The following position is available with the **City of Lafayette**. If you are interested in being considered for this position, applications are **ONLY** available on-line

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Available with the **Parks Department**:

POSITION:

Seasonal Zookeeper

LOCATION:

Columbian Park Zoo

HOURS:

Includes days, weekends and holidays (40 hours per week)

SALARY:

\$9.00-\$10.00/hour

DESCRIPTION:

Serves as Seasonal Zookeeper for the Columbian Park Zoo, responsible for providing proper care and treatment to Zoo animals. Maintains a healthy environment for animals by feeding, watering, cleaning cages and runways and monitoring animals for signs of ill health or disease. Assists in training of new employees and/or volunteers and interns as needed. Performs general maintenance of the Zoo such as painting, trash removal, and landscaping. Assists with operating Zoo amusement rides, ensuring public safety and quality customer service. Engages with the public on a daily basis.

REQUIREMENTS:

High school diploma or GED is required. Ability to effectively communicate both in writing and orally, as well as ability to follow instructions and abide by department policies and work rules. Ability to work alone and in a team environment. Ability to keep detailed records related to animal care, inventory and work sheets. Ability to work under time pressure and complete tasks amidst regular distractions and interruptions. Ability to work comfortably around the public and provide quality customer service as needed. Ability to deal swiftly, rationally and decisively with potentially violent animals in precarious situations. Ability to regularly work weekend and holiday hours. Must possess valid driver's license and demonstrated safe driving record.

PHYSICAL EFFORT:

Incumbent performs duties indoors and outdoors and may involve continuous physical exertion, such as standing/walking for long periods, handling animals, safely lifting/carrying objects weighing more than 50 pounds, climbing ladders, crouching/kneeling, bending, pushing/pulling/objects, handling/grasping objects. Duties involve handling and caring for a variety of animals with different temperaments that could cause injury, exposure to animal bites and possible zoonotic diseases. Duties also involve exposure to dust, dirt, adverse weather conditions, extreme temperatures, power tools and cleaning chemicals.

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